

**RECOVERY FUNDS AT WORK IN OHIO'S SIXTH DISTRICT**  
**Wilson Announces Water Projects and Green Jobs Grants from the Recovery Act**

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Charlie Wilson (OH-6) is pleased to announce that nearly \$75 million in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds are heading to Ohio. These funds include \$69.3 million released by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and \$5 million in awards from the U.S. Department of Labor.

**CLEAN WATER**

According to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Ohio is set to receive \$69.3 million to fund water quality improvement projects. Of those funds, \$8.6 million will be directed to projects within Ohio's Sixth District. These subsidies will also be paired with \$4.9 million in low-interest loans from the Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) or the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF). The following projects are being funded:

“By improving our infrastructure and keeping our water clean, we are keeping our communities safe and healthy,” Wilson said. “Many communities have waited years for these investments, and I’m so pleased that the Recovery Act funds are able to speed up the timeline.”

**GREEN JOBS**

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, the State of Ohio is set to receive over \$5 million in green jobs grants from the Recovery Act.

One grant worth \$1,015,700 has been awarded to the Ohio Department of Job and Labor Services to identify green occupations and green employers in each of Ohio's economic regions. The project will identify skills necessary for green jobs in order to develop appropriate curriculum and training.

An additional \$4 million grant has been awarded to partners in Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan in order to create a Tri-State consortium assisting employers, employees and dislocated autoworkers undergoing auto industry restructuring. The Consortium aims to develop alternative green careers in energy efficiency and renewable energy industries.

“The development of green jobs is critical to our economy today and in the future,” Wilson said. “We need to expand our manufacturing base to include green products to ensure that our country and our region remain a leading force in the manufacturing sector. These funds will help us identify how to best use our resources to ensure our long-term viability.”

Recipient	Project Description	ARRA Subsidy	Loan
Athens (Athens County)	Upgrade the Curtis Street pump station and replace water main	\$820,000	\$480,000 (WSRLA)

Bellaire (Belmont County)	Replace the Brooks Run water line	\$644,000	\$329,291 (WSR)
Mahoning County	Extend the Petersburg water line	\$319,709	\$319,709 (WSR)
Middleport (Meigs County)	Replace water lines, develop a well, and properly dispose of old well	\$2,800,000	\$700,127 (WSR)
Powhatan Point (Belmont County)	Replace old, leaking water line	\$329,000	\$489,801 (WSR)
Rayland (Jefferson County)	Address low chlorine residuals and constriction problems	\$503,699	\$217,912 (WSR)
Tri-County Water and Sewer District (Noble, Washington, Morgan and Boone Counties)	Extend a water line to 10 miles	\$1,111,076	\$111,076 (WSR)
Coal Grove (Lawrence County)	Replace a well, a raw water line, 12 fire hydrants, and 300,500 feet of water main	\$361,112	\$30,506 (WPC)
Portsmouth (Scioto County)	Improve the Lawson Run wastewater treatment plan.	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000 (WPC)
Woodsfield (Monroe County)	Replace an existing cast iron water line on Eastern Avenue	\$102,111	\$194,278 (WPC)
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$8,625,251</b>	<b>\$4,941,790</b>